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In re patent application of

Coppersmith

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Examiner Nguyen, Cuong H.

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Dear Sir:

In response to the office action mailed November 27, 2002 the applicant requests reconsideration upon entry of the following amendment and consideration of the following remarks.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 14.

REMARKS

Claim 14 has been canceled making moot any rejection thereof. The application includes claims 1-13 and 15-21.

The office action mailed November 27, 2002 is improper. The Examiner has not pointed out with specificity how various claims are rejected. Rather, he has indicated in the conclusion that all claims are rejected, but in the body of the office action itself he has not accurately set forth how and why the claims are rejected. As best can be understood from the office action, the undersigned believes that the Examiner is taking the position that the all claims are obvious over some or all of the